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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were filed on July 12, 2004 and July 2, 2002, Applicants hereby submit a copy of a Korean Office Action that was mailed on September 24, 2004 (together with an English translation of the same), with respect to patent family member Korean Patent Application No. 10-2002-7004386, in which the following document was cited:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 9-316445.

Applicants note that an English language Abstract of the above-noted Japanese patent document was previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 20, 2002 and made of record by the Examiner. Thus, Applicants believe that no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of the Japanese

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patent document since a document stating its relevance in English has already been considered by the Examiner.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which this document is relevant, as ascertained by the Korean Examiner applying Korean rules to the Korean claims are set forth in the Korean Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. A copy of the above-noted document is attached hereto and is listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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